

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Gloria Simmons, Treasurer Friends of Corrine Brown 3109 River Bend Court, D-102 Laurel, MD 20724

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Termination Report (11/24/98-12/31/98)

Dear Ms. Simmons:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's interest in assisting candidates and committees who wish to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act).

We are in receipt of your Termination Report of Receipts and Expenditures which indicates that the Committee has outstanding debts and obligations. Section 102.3 of the Commission's Regulations prohibits a political committee from terminating its reporting obligations until all debts and obligations are extinguished. However, 2 U.S.C. §433(d)(2) and Part 116 of the Commission's Regulations permit committees to settle their debts for less than the amount owed. The specifics of each settlement must be approved by the Commission before any settlement with a creditor is formalized. Accordingly we have enclosed FEC FORM 8 (Debt Settlement 8) for your use.

Until such time as you either extinguish the debt, or your debt settlement plan is approved by the Commission, you are required to continue to file the required reports of receipts and expenditures which shows all debts and obligations owed by the committee.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me in our Reports Analysis Division on the toll-free number (800) 424-9530. Our local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Tammy Y. Pataluna

Reports Analyst

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